To Whom it may Concern:

I am opposed to HB-6667 & HB-6816

These proposals are typical reactions from politicians.

Remember for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. For every restriction you place on one group, in this case, law-abiding gun owners, you end up empowering another group, the criminal non-law-abiding person.

You're going to make me a criminal if I carry my firearm into my favorite pizza house to pick up a pizza because I am carrying my firearm and they serve beer. Is this your intention? Why not just make a law that says every business that serves alcohol must erect a sign that says the patrons of the establishment are unable to defend themselves and are ripe for the pickings?

For every tax dollar you give to someone, you have to tax it from someone else. The same principle applies.

For every gun law you enact limiting me is more power you're giving to the criminal. Why not make stronger laws for criminal activity? You should not have felons out on bond for gun crimes committing more crimes with guns only to be released again.

I am a retired police officer. I would still put my life on the line to protect someone else. You're taking that ability away from me. You are trying to take away the ability of thousands of other people that only want to defend themselves.

If this is enacted into law you can explain to the thousands of business owners that lose business because I will not stop carrying my firearm. Instead, I will not use a business that I cannot legally enter.

Your micro-stamping – what good will it do for people that reload their brass?

Body armor – What do you want me to do with the vests that I purchased while a police officer? Are you going to reimburse me if I have to throw them out?

Also, does this proposal mean that politicians cannot wear body armor? Are you going to be the one to tell the President that he cannot wear body armor in Connecticut? How about those criminals that we always see covered in body armor when they are being transported to and from court?

Again, some knee-jerk reaction. How about if you are a felon and wear body armor in committing a violent felony you get convicted, you get 10 years with no reductions, no time off for good behavior, and no wiggle room for judges to reduce it?

Bottom line – put the criminals in prison and leave us law-abiding citizens alone!

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